(घ) बढ़ती हुई कीमतों को कम करने के लिए खाद्यान्नों के अतिरिक्त भंडार को देश के खुले बाजार में आपूर्ति न करने के क्या कारण हैं?

खाद्य मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री कल्प नाथ राय): (क) से (ग) भारतीय खाद्य निगम से सुगम स्टाक स्थिति की दृष्टि में केन्द्रीय पूल से गेहूं और चावल का निर्यात करने की सम्भावनाओं के संबंध में एक नोट प्रस्तुत करने के लिए कहा गया था। तदनुसार, भारतीय खाद्य निगम ने अपना जायजा लगाते हुए एक नोट प्रस्तुत किया है। सरकार ने केन्द्रीय पूल से खाद्यान्नों का निर्यात करने के संबंध में अभी कोई निर्णय नहीं लिया है।

(घ) सरकार ने भारतीय खाद्य निगम को खुले बाजार में अक्तूबर, 1993 से सितम्बर, 1994 तक 50 लाख मीटरी टन तक गेहूं और जनवरी से सितम्बर, 1994 तक 15 लाख मीटरी टन तक चावल की बिक्री करने की इजाजत दी है। भारतीय खाद्य निगम द्वारा खुले बाजार में लगभग 33.77 लाख मीटरी टन गेहूं और लगभग 0.77 लाख मीटरी टन चावल की मात्रा पहले ही बेच दी गई है।

Production and Consumption of Sugar in the Punjab

2493. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) what was the State-wise requirement of sugar last year;

(b) the State-wise production thereof in the same period;

(c) what was the production and consumption of sugar in Punjab during the last three years;

(d) total production of sugarcane in the country last year total sugarcane given to the sugar mills and the percentage recovery thereof in sugar mills; and

(e) how many licenses for sugar mills were issued last year in the country and the number of such licenses issued for Punjab?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) The monthly levy sugar quota to States/Union Territories are not allotted on the basis of request/demand received from State Governments/Union Territories. Under the present policy of Partial Control, the monthly allocations of levy sugar to most of the States/ Union Territories are being made on uniform norms of ensuring 425 grams per capita availability for the projected population as on 1-10-1986. However, some States/ Union Territories are being allowed allocation at higher scales in view of the special circumstances prevailing there.

(b) The required information is in the enclosed statement (*see* below)

(c) Under the present policy of partial control, levy sugar quota is allotted to all States/ Union Territories for distribution through the Public distribution System. Accordingly, the quantum of levy sugar allotted to Punjab during the last three sugar years was as follows:—

Sugar Year	Quantum of levy sugar allotted (lakh tonnes)
1990-91	0.97
1991-92	1.02
1992-93	1.02

So far as freesale sugar is concerned, the sugar factories are required to sell and despatch monthly releases of freesale quota to any wholesale dealer in the country. Accordingly, the wholesale sugar licence dealers in Punjab purchase freesale sugar from the factories located in Punjab, as also from elsewhere, for consumption in Punjab.

The production of sugar during the last three sugar years in the State of Punjab was as under:—

Sugar Year (October-September)	Sugar Production (lakh tonnes)
1990-91	2.75
1991-92	3.84
1992-93	4.09

(d) The required information is as under:—

Particulars	Season 1992-93
1. Production of sugarcane (million tonnes)	230.8
2. Cane crushed by sugar mills (lakh tonnes)	1029.71
3. Recovery of sugar% cane	10.31

(e) No letter of intent has been issued for setting up of new sugar mills in the country during the last sugar year 1992-93 (October—September). However, 74 letters of intent have been issued during the current 1993-94 sugar year till 30-6-1994. Out of these, no letter of intent/licence has been issued for the setting up of a new sugar factory in the State of Punjab.

Statement

STATE-WISE PRODUCTION OF SUGAR DURING 1992-93 SEASON (OCTOBER—SEPTEMBER).

(Lakh Tonnes)

Sl. No.	State	Production
1.	Punjab	4.09
2.	Haryana	3.45
3.	Rajasthan	0.24
4.	Uttar Pradesh	28.57
5.	Madhya Pradesh	0.60
6.	Gujarat	7.51
7.	Maharashtra	33.60
8.	Bihar	3.27
9.	Assam	0.08
10.	Orissa	0.33
11.	West Bengal	0.04
12.	Nagaland	0.03
13.	Andhra Pradesh	5.40
14.	Karnataka	8.48
15.	Tamil Nadu	9.76
16.	Pondicherry	0.45
17.	Kerala	0.06
18.	Goa	0.13
	ALL INDIA	106.09

Delay in Supply of Essential Commodities from FCI Godowns

2494. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether wheat, sugar, rice and other commodities do not reach the Fair Price Shops in time from godowns of the Food Corporation of India in Delhi, Rajasthan and Orissa in particular and other States in general despite depositing money;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the number of complaints received by the Union Government in this regard so far during 1994-95 as compared to 1993-94 (State-wise); and

(d) the action taken by Government to avoid such harassment being faced by the public who inspite of paying higher prices for commodities are not receiving the same in time?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (d). FCI supplies wheat and rice to States/Union Territories and their nominees as per the monthly allocations made by the Central Government. FCI also supplies sugar from its stocks to 15 States/UTs except Rajasthan, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh etc. There is no delay on the part of FCI in releasing of stocks from its depots to State Governments/UTs and their nominees after they have deposited the value of grains/sugar and no complaint to that effect has been received by the Central Government. The internal distribution of foodgrains/sugar upto the Fair Price Shops and implementation of Public Distribution System (PDS) is the responsibility of the respective State Governments/Union Territory Governments. FCI maintains adequate stocks of wheat, rice and sugar in Delhi and Orissa and wheat and rice in Rajasthan.

नागरिक आपूर्ति मंत्रियों की बैठक

2495. श्री अनन्तराम जायसवाल:
श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय:

क्या खाद्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार उत्तरी राज्यों के खाद्य और नागरिक